YOUNG AUTHORS

Weekly Newsletter

Welcome to Cranbrook Young Authors Day Camp, Summer 2021!



Week l Recap

This week, campers created pieces of writing based on the theme "Storytelling." We had the opportunity to share some of our favorite places on campus to inspire their creativity, including The Magic Tree, Snake Rock, The Crying Zeus, and Magic Tree, Jr.

Campers worked through a variety of creative writing prompts, enhancing skills in character development, sensory details, autobiographical writing, and revision. In their individual groups, young authors also had a chance to share their writing with peers and instructors, while receiving constructive feedback throughout the week.

I am so impressed with all of the campers' enthusiasm and love of the written word. I have thoroughly enjoyed reading through their anthology submissions, some of which had me so engaged, I wanted to keep reading to know what would happen next!

Thank you for sharing your children with us this week. If your child is returning next week, we will see you then. Otherwise, have a wonderful rest of your summer, and keep those kids writing!

-Lauren Rinke, Director YADC









Looking Ahead - Week 2

We are so excited for next week at YADC! We will be working through a variety of prompts and exercises for the theme Famous Authors and Characters!

Week 2 will focus on famous children and young adult authors and their characters: Jeff Kinney, Judy Bloom, Beverly Cleary, Roald Dahl, J.K. Rowling, Sara Pennypacker, Raina Telgemeier, and Suzanne Collins to name a few! We will immerse ourselves in their works studying different genres and paying close attention to their characters through morning prompts, daily mini lessons, writing adventures, and literacy games.

Campers will choose their favorite character to feature in their own story embarking on their own adventure with that character. Campers will edit and revise through both self and peer revision ending the week with a final and published piece for the annual anthology and share their work at our Authors Share.

Week 2 features a camp-wide dress-up day (THEMATIC THURSDAY) where campers and staff are encouraged to come dressed as their favorite character. The group with the most participation wins a special prize!













